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SUBJECT: BIDS ON SINAI ACREAGE

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1. ACCORDING TO MOBIL AND EGPC, EGYPTIANS HAVE INCLUDED CONTRACT LANGUAGE IN SINAI EXPLORATION CONCESSIONS THAT WILL PERMIT POST-PONEMENT OF STARTUP DATE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS STATUS OF TERRITORY IN QUESTION IS SETTLED. SIGNATURE BONUSES ARE ONLY FULLY OPERABLE PORTION OF CONTRACT COVERING AREAS IN WHICH SUCH TERRITORIES ARE INCLUDED.

2. INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, OBJECTIONS TO THIS PROCEDURE EVIDENTLY STILL EXIST WITHIN MINPET. EMBASSY'S INITIAL EFFORTS TO OBTAIN INFO REQUESTED REFTEL RESULTED IN RESPONSE THAT PUTTING IN SUCH CAVEAT WOULD BE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ISRAELI CONTROL OF AREA. IT WOULD ALSO BE ADDITIONAL WEAPON IN ISRAELI HANDS TO FORCE EGYPTIAN AGREEMENT TO DEMANDS THAT MIGHT BE MADE, ACCORDING TO SOURCE.
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